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SUBJECT: OGADEN TRIBESMEN DETAINEES: WHERE NOW?

REF: MOGADISCIO 388

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED REPORT FROM TWO SEPARATE SOMALI SOURCES THAT OGADEN TRIBESMEN JAILED IN MOGADISCIO SINCE EARLY 1975 (MOGADISCIO 388) HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM MOGADISCIO AND TAKEN ELSEWHERE. PRESENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN BUT ONE SOMALI SOURCE ALLEGES THAT ALL OGADEN DETAINEES NOW UNDERGOING MILITARY TRAINING NEAR BALAD, SOME TWENTY-FIVE KILOMETERS FROM MOGADISCIO.

2. EMBASSY RECEIVED REPORT FROM FIRST SOMALI SOURCE ON JULY 30 THAT ALL OGADEN TRIBESMEN PREVIOUSLY UNDER DETENTION IN MOGADISCIO HAD BEEN FREED AND WERE TRANSPORTED TO CAMP NEAR BALAD TO UNDERGO MILITARY TRAINING. SOMALI SOURCE RECEIVED INFORMATION JULY 29 FROM FELLOW TRIBESMAN IN SOMALI ARMY, WHO ALSO CLAIMED THAT SOMALI ARMY OFFICERS FROM OGADEN TRIBE HAD BEEN SECONDED TO BALAD TRAINING CAMP.

3. EMBOFF ATTEMPTED TO VERIFY REPORT WITH SOMALI FROM OGADEN  
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STATED THAT ON NIGHT OF JULY 27 OR 28, ALL OGADEN TRIBESMEN PREVIOUSLY UNDER DETENTION IN MOGADISCIO WERE REMOVED IN EARLY MORNING HOURS FOR UNKNOWN DESTINATION. MOST OF DETAINEES WERE YOUNG MEN. PARENTS AND RELATIVES CONCERNED AT REMOVAL AND ATTEMPTING TO LEARN WHEREABOUTS. POLICE OFFICIALS AT MOGADISCIO JAILS APPARENTLY DO NOT RPT NOT KNOW WHERE DETAINEES TAKEN.

4. WE BELIEVE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE FORTHCOMING FROM LOCAL SOURCES OVER NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS. SIAD'S RELATIONS WITH OGADEN PEOPLES ARE OF COURSE MATTER OF CONTINUING INTEREST HERE.  
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